

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Secretary of the Commonwealth

OF

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953



EDWARD J. CRONIN

Secretary of the Commonwealth

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, July 1, 1953.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:—

I have the honor to submit, in compliance with General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, Chapter 9, Section 17, as amended, the annual report of the transactions of this office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953. This report also includes the returns from cities and towns relative to action taken under certain provisions of the General Laws, and returns relative to the acceptance or rejection of certain Special Acts passed by the General Court, which returns were received during the fiscal year 1953.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD J. CRONIN,  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

## LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

### 1953 SESSION OF THE GENERAL COURT

In previous reports I have included a brief summary of such legislation as was enacted during the next prior session of the General Court which was of particular application or interest to the administration of the office of the State Secretary.

During the 1953 session of the General Court there were several measures enacted which are of such general interest and a brief abstract of the same is contained in the following summary.

### 1953 STATUTES RELATIVE TO MATTERS OF CONCERN TO

#### THE OFFICE OF THE STATE SECRETARY

#### LAWS RELATIVE TO ELECTIONS

- Chapter 1. Restricting the number of times the name of a candidate may appear on official ballots for a particular office.

*The name of any person shall not be printed on the official ballot or on ballot labels more than once as a candidate for the same office nor more than once for any office wherein a full term and a partial term are to be filled.*

- Chapter 26. Relative to the placing of acceptances of nominations on nomination papers and the filing of same.

*Wherever the written acceptance of a candidate upon a nomination paper or a signature and place of residence of the person filing the same is required by law, it shall be sufficient if such acceptance or signature and place of residence is placed upon one nomination paper only.*

- Chapter 44. Providing for the administration of the oath of office to town and district moderators.

*Moderators shall be sworn by the town clerk and all other officers by the moderator or clerk.*

- Chapter 212. Relative to the contents of and the arrangement of names on ballots. (Municipal Offices)

*Under the designation of the office, the names of the candidates for re-election to any office to be filled for a city or town office of which they are the elected incumbents shall, except in places where voting machines are used, be placed first on the ballot in alphabetical order according to their surnames, except as city charters otherwise provide*



in the case of municipal offices; and the names of candidates for different terms of service in the same office shall be arranged in groups according to the length of their respective terms, and the names of candidates nominated by single wards but to be voted for at large, shall be arranged in groups by wards.

*Chapter 406.* Providing for state conventions of political parties for the endorsement for nomination of candidates for offices to be filled by all the voters of the commonwealth.

*This statute restores to our election laws provisions for holding pre-primary conventions of political parties. A detailed abstract of the act would require too much space for inclusion in this report. Briefly such conventions are not mandatory but may be held at the option of the state committee of each recognized political party. Delegates are to be chosen by town and ward committees, not by primary elections. Candidates for state-wide office are to be endorsed at conventions and their names are to be placed first on primary election ballots with such endorsement indicated on the ballot. Except for this ballot change this office must prepare and arrange primary ballots in accordance with existing law as in the past. The act sets out procedure in the nomination of delegates and for the conduct and recording of the proceedings of conventions.*

*Chapter 432.* Relative to the contents of and the arrangement of names on ballots. (In Municipal Elections)

*Under the designation of the office, the names of candidates for each municipal elective office shall, except as city charters otherwise provide, be arranged alphabetically according to their surnames, except that names of candidates for re-election to any such office of which they are the elected incumbents shall, except as provided in section thirty-three in places where voting machines are used, be placed first on the ballot in alphabetical order.*

#### LAWS RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ENACTED IN 1953

*Chapter 31.* Relative to the revival of corporations.

*This act covers a subject matter which up to now required special legislation in each instance where revival was necessary or advisable. It allows the commissioner of corporations to revive corporate charters within five years of dissolution, and where the sole purpose is the conveyance of real estate, at any time, by filing a certificate of revival with the State Secretary.*

*Chapter 282.* Relative to the fees paid for filing certain reports of certain miscellaneous corporations filed in the office of the State Secretary.

*This brings certain public utility corporations into the same category as domestic and foreign business corporations in filing certificates with the State Secretary and makes the fifteen dollar filing fee uniform for all such filings.*

*Chapter 283.* Relative to the fees paid for filing certain reports of gas and electric companies filed in the office of the State Secretary.

*This act accomplishes the same purpose as does the next prior chapter, Chapter 282.*

#### LAWS RELATIVE TO RECORDS OF MASSACHUSETTS BAY COLONY

*Chapter 446.* Relative to the purchase by the commonwealth of certain copies of the house journals from 1715 to 1780.

*Whenever the journals of the house of representatives of Massachusetts Bay from seventeen hundred and fifteen to seventeen hundred*

and eighty, inclusive, in volumes each covering one year or more, shall be reprinted accurately by the Massachusetts Historical Society, in the manner and form of volume one, seventeen hundred and fifteen to seventeen hundred and seventeen, inclusive, now in the press, and approved by the secretary of the commonwealth, the secretary shall purchase from the society three hundred copies of the said journals at a price not exceeding seven dollars and fifty cents a volume, but in no year shall there be expended more than twenty-two hundred and fifty dollars; provided, that if the copies are plated, the plates shall be subject to the use of the commonwealth.

(Each such purchase is, of course dependent upon the appropriation of funds for such purpose by the General Court.)

## LAWS RELATIVE TO HOUSING AUTHORITIES

*Chapter 500.* Designating Housing Authorities as political subdivisions of the commonwealth for certain purposes.

*This act adds housing authorities as political subdivisions for the purpose of furnishing emergency relief under the Civil Defense Act (c. 639 of the Acts of 1950)*

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Each department head is required by General Laws, Chapter 31, Sections 32 and 33, to file an annual report with the State Secretary. Whenever such reports contain recommendations for legislation, they must be filed on or before the first Wednesday of November in each calendar year. Such reports are transmitted by this department to the Clerk of the House of Representatives on the first Wednesday of November. This office is likewise required to submit to the General Court such recommendations as include prospective legislation. In compliance, I shall file with the Clerk of the House of Representatives on or before November 4, 1953 a report covering certain recommendations for legislative action either by statute or appropriation. At the moment of this report, the following items will be proposed to the 1953 session of the General Court.

## ARCHIVES

Less than one sixth of the 312 bound volumes which constitute the historical record of this Commonwealth have been indexed. Current business does not allow the staff now employed to complete this work which is confining and exacting. There has not been sufficient personnel in the Archives Division to undertake this task during the administration of my predecessor nor during my terms of office. These records contain a wealth of items of great historical value which should be made readily available to the public for study and likewise for citation by public officials. I urge that an appropriation of sufficient funds to engage the services of five temporary cataloguers be made available for this purpose.

## BUREAU OF INFORMATION

The general public believes this office to be a central bureau of information on the affairs of the Commonwealth. By personal call, telephone, and correspondence scores of inquiries come to the office during each business week. Much correspondence and interdepartmental communication results. Clearly there should be a clearing house of such information as is concerned with the affairs of the state. This office is the natural place for such a bureau. Upon a prior recommendation the legislature determined that no legislation is necessary. This office is ready, willing, and anxious to set up such a bureau, and it is respectfully requested that an appropriation be made of about \$5,000 to employ two clerks, one senior and one junior, to set up a bureau of information in this department.

### CLERICAL POOL

The Division of Personnel and Standardization in cooperation with the Ways and Means Committees of both branches has fixed the number of clerical employees in each department based upon experience and the recommendations of the heads of each department. This results in a reasonably fair distribution of personnel to meet the ordinary and regular requirements of each department. There are other factors which enter into the problems which confront department heads in keeping their work and records current. New statutes which require additional work, turnovers in personnel, unusual demands in specific fields, increases in volume of business and protracted absences due to illness, frequently disrupt efficient operations in many departments for weeks or months at a time. Protracted absences on account of illness among long-service key personnel who have much accumulated sick leave are perhaps the largest single factor. This situation makes for confusion and delay. It cannot well be remedied within a single department. One over-all agency could supply the needs of all departments in such emergencies. It is therefore recommended that a clerical pool be established in the Department of Civil Service and Registration with an appropriation to that department to pay the salaries of such personnel who may be assigned from time to time by the director to the various departments on requisition. A pool of ten stenographers and typists and ten typists and clerks would suffice for this all over purpose.

### CORPORATIONS

1. During the 1953 legislative session the filing fees of public utility corporations for annual certificates of condition were increased from ten to fifteen dollars. Inasmuch as filing fees of domestic and foreign corporations for certificates of condition were increased to fifteen dollars during the 1952 session, the increase during the last session, affecting public utility corporations rendered uniform the fee schedule for the filing of all certificates of condition.

2. Thousands of corporations organized under Chapter 180 of our general laws such as charitable, social and athletic groups are required to file annual returns either with this office or other state agencies.

Certain other corporations so organized such as churches, religious bodies benevolent, historical and scientific groups do not file reports and for the most part it would be an unwarranted burden and serve no public interest to require such organizations to file annual reports.

However, certain other corporations organized under Chapter 180 of our General Laws, which engage intensively in business and even political activities, are constantly the legitimate object of scores of inquiries at this office by the general public, the press and public officials seeking information relative to the financial status of such corporations and the identity of the individuals responsible for the operation of such corporate organizations. Under the present law no informative return is required to be filed annually with this office by such corporations who are operating under the charter of the Commonwealth. The only information filed is the original incorporation documents, which in many cases, have been filed so many years past that the individuals originally associated with the particular corporation have long since terminated their association.

Such incorporated organizations raise and expend great sums of money each year to influence public opinion and the course of legislative bodies. Their sources of revenue and the purposes and extent of their expenditures are as properly a subject of public interest as are the activities of thousands of general business organizations, large and small, newspaper corporations, public utility groups and charitable endeavors which are required to file annual information returns. Each such Chapter 180 corporation should be required to furnish an annual return showing its receipts, its officers, the salaries and disbursements paid in a fiscal year and such other information as the General Court may require. A proposal to accomplish this purpose will be presented to the 1954 session of the General Court.



## OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

For the assurance of continuous efficient service to the public and more especially to the Legislature and the various departments of the State Government it is necessary that at least one Deputy be on duty at this office during the entire business day when the State House is open for business. It is the policy of the department that two Deputies be on duty at the State House each business day in order that there may be no period when prompt service cannot be afforded. Illness, emergency travel on public business, necessary consultations with Municipal Officials and vacation absences frequently result in the presence of but a single Deputy in this office. For this reason it is recommended that a fourth Deputy Secretary be authorized. This Deputy need not be a new official but can be a department head assigned to additional duty with additional compensation commensurate with his increased responsibility.

## PUBLICATIONS

## PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION OF STATE PUBLICATIONS

The present law says specifically that "all publications of the Commonwealth shall be distributed under the direction of the Secretary, unless otherwise provided." (G. L. C. 5, sec. 1.)

In practice, however, and frequently without specific statutory provision, a score of agencies distribute publications which are not in stock in the document room. This should be remedied for public convenience.

Distribution should be primarily a function of this office with auxiliary distribution of particular publications by the agency concerned with the subject matter thereof.

Demands upon this office for all state publications are constant. Such documents are in a broad sense records of the Commonwealth and should be available at the Office of the Secretary as well as at the office of the official, department, board, commission or agency having jurisdiction over the subject matter of the publication. This office should have in stock, in its document division, every publication of the Commonwealth. Knowledge as to the pending publication of all documents should be available here. All printing should be controlled by this office, as was the case from the founding of the State through 1923. To this end, the office known as the printing office in the Department of Administration should be transferred to this office. The placing of contracts and purchase of materials should remain under the control of the purchasing agent in the Department of Administration.

The public expect and demand this service from the Office of the Secretary.

A proposed act to accomplish this purpose will be presented to the 1953 session of the General Court.

## SUPERVISOR OF PUBLIC RECORDS

The preparation, storage and protection of public records is a very important function in government. The history of a people is recorded in such records. Precedents and experience, often reflecting years of study and effort, are recorded in such records. Their preservation and availability to the present and the future citizens of a governmental unit are of vital importance in any well ordered sovereign state or political subdivision.

This principle has been recognized in the statutes of our commonwealth. Since 1919 the supervision of public records has been a responsibility of the State Secretary. General Laws Chapter 9 Section 4 requires the Secretary to name a Supervisor of Public Records. Chapter 9 Section 5 authorizes the Secretary to expend not more than three thousand dollars annually for the travel, clerical and other necessary expense of the supervisor. In 1919 three thousand dollars was adequate for travel, clerical assistance and incidental expense. This provision of statute has not been honored for a score of years. Session after session of the legislature has adjourned with no appropriation for clerical services and little if any provision

for travel funds. Yet the basic statute survives and General Laws Chapter 66 which defines in detail duties of the supervisor has been frequently amended to expand the responsibility and increase the duties of the supervisor.

The duties are grave and important. The records of every municipality, county and court are involved as are conveyances of real estate and the probate of estates. In all four hundred and eighty-two (482) governmental units come within the sphere of the responsibility of the supervisor. Each should be inspected annually and more frequently if occasion demands it.

With little travel expense allowed and no clerical assistance authorized the supervisor is unable to perform his statutory obligations. To do this on a minima basis an inspector and a clerk should be authorized plus travel expense of not less than fifteen hundred dollars per year for the travel of the supervisor and an inspector. An appropriation of not less than nine thousand dollars per year will be necessary to make this important office effective in its essential field. Such an appropriation will be requested at the session of 1954.

#### TEXT BOOKS AND TECHNICAL REPORTS

The restriction by statute of the number of copies of text books, case books and technical reports which the Secretary may distribute in his discretion to one hundred copies has worked out very unsatisfactorily. In some instances one hundred is not adequate to meet proper requests from governmental agencies. In other instances, one hundred is more than enough to meet the demand. In order that the Secretary may exercise a wider discretion, a proposed amendment to General Laws, chapter 5, section 8, as amended by section 3 of chapter 480 of the acts of 1945 has been prepared and will be submitted to the 1953 session of the General Court.

#### TRADE MARKS

Experience over the years with the administration of our present trade mark statutes indicates the compelling need for suitable amendments thereto providing for abandonment, amendment rescission or other disposition of demonstrated obsolete, unused or abandoned trade marks. The trade mark files include many which long ago ceased to be active. Other state jurisdictions and the Federal government have provisions in their trade mark laws providing for the disposition of inactive and abandoned trade marks by suitable periodic renewal requirements.

A statute providing a requirement for renewals after twenty year periods and permitting cancellation of obsolete trade marks and those not renewed will clear the active record files of a great many unused trade marks which now congest the files and hamper orderly trade mark registration procedure. Such a statutory provision will make our Massachusetts trade mark laws harmoniously consistent with the Federal statutes and most other State trade mark laws.

EDWARD J. CRONIN,  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

# REPORT OF ACTIVITIES IN DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

## ACCOUNTS FINANCES OF DEPARTMENT

The subjoined summary sets forth the receipts and expenditures of the Department of the State Secretary for the Fiscal Year 1952-1953. It is worthy of note that the receipts exceed the expenditures by \$271,878.08. Revenues of this office have been materially increased by the fees established by the last two sessions of the General Court (1952 and 1953). Under existing law it is safe to estimate that in most years (three of each four) the excess of receipts over expenditures will be greater than those of the current fiscal year which includes the additional election expense of the quadrennial presidential election of 1952. Prior to the fee increase, expenses usually exceeded receipts in election years. This is one of very few self-sustaining departments.

August 27, 1953.

*To the Secretary of the Commonwealth:—*

The following table shows in detail receipts from fees, etc. for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, all of which were paid into the Treasury daily and quarterly reports thereof made to the Governor and Council as required by General Laws (Tercentenary Edition), Chapter 9, section 1.

Commissions . . . . .		\$ 32,196 00
Corporations . . . . .		796,968 09
Limited Partnerships . . . . .		460 00
Trade Marks . . . . .		7,950 00
Sale of Books . . . . .		30,692 13
Certificates . . . . .		3,712 50
Military Records . . . . .		20 35
Copies—Archives . . . . .	\$ 3,784 75	
Corporations . . . . .	<u>14,956 00</u>	18,740 75
Advance Sheets . . . . .		2,715 00
Vital Statistics . . . . .		7,516 75
Trust Receipts . . . . .		9,099 00
Liens . . . . .		195 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .		<u>338 99</u>
		\$910,604 56

Financial Statement Verified

Date, August 27, 1953

By JOSEPH A. PRENNY, *For the Comptroller.*

Approved for Publishing, RALPH E. HOUGHTON, *Acting Comptroller.*

## EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR 1953

0501-01	Secretary's Salary	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$ 9,000 00
0501-02	Personal Services and Expenses	.	.	.	.	.	.	341,046 83
0502-01	Archives and Photostatic Copies	.	.	.	.	.	.	5,317 80
0502-02	Journals of the House	.	.	.	.	.	.	750 00
0503-01	Printing Acts and Resolves	.	.	.	.	.	.	28,996 00*
0503-02	Decisions of Supreme Court	.	.	.	.	.	.	22,067 60*
0503-03	Printing Public Documents	.	.	.	.	.	.	5,835 23*
0504-01	Primaries and Other Elections	.	.	.	.	.	.	188,930 89
0504-04	Lists of Candidates	.	.	.	.	.	.	12,763 92
0504-05	Electoral College	.	.	.	.	.	.	747 33
0504-08	Rent Control Referendum	.	.	.	.	.	.	21,770 88
0505-01	Medical Examiners Fees	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,500 00
Total								<u>\$638,726 48</u>

Excess of Receipts over Expenditures \$271,878.08.

\*These items are continuing accounts.



## ANNUAL REPORTS

On or before the first Wednesday of December in each fiscal year every state officer, department, board and commission which is required by law to file an annual report must deposit such report with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. The only exceptions are in the few cases where some other date is specifically provided by law for the filing of a report.

During 1952 pursuant to this requirement, the following officers, departments, boards and commissions filed annual reports on or before the first Wednesday of December, 1952:—

Department of Conservation, 1952  
 Division of Banks and Loan Agencies, Section A  
 Co-operative Banks and Savings and Loan Associations, 1952  
 Department of Public Health, 1952  
 Massachusetts Public Building Commission, 1952  
 Appellate Tax Board, 1952  
 Port of Boston Authority, 1952  
 Department of Public Safety, 1952  
 Trustees, Taunton State Hospital, 1952  
 Board of Registration in Pharmacy, 1952  
 Trustees, State Library, 1952  
 Subsequent to the legal filing date, the following reports were received:—  
 Judicial Council of Massachusetts, 1952  
 Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, 1952  
 Department of Correction, 1952  
 Department of Public Works, 1952  
 Department of the Auditor, 1952  
 Department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, 1952  
 Division of Standards (Department of Labor and Industries), 1952  
 Metropolitan District Assessments (Treasurer and Receiver-General), 1952  
 Board of Registration in Embalming and Funeral Directing, 1952  
 Director of Registration, 1952  
 Board of Registration in Optometry, 1952  
 State Examiners of Electricians, 1952  
 Board of Registration of Certified Public Accountants, 1952  
 Board of Registration of Architects, 1952  
 Division of Industrial Safety (Department of Labor and Industries), 1952  
 State Airport Management Board, 1952  
 Outdoor Advertising Authority, 1952  
 Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine, 1952  
 Board of Dental Examiners, 1952  
 Board of Registration in Chiropody (Podiatry), 1952  
 State Reclamation Board (Department of Agriculture), 1951-52  
 Division of Apprentice Training (Department of Labor and Industries), 1952  
 Division on the Necessaries of Life (Department of Labor and Industries), 1952  
 Treasurer and Receiver-General, 1952  
 Division of Livestock Disease Control (Department of Agriculture), 1952  
 Department of Public Welfare, 1952  
 Department of Education (Part 1), 1952  
 Finance Commission of the City of Boston, 1952  
 Department of Education (Part 2), 1952  
 Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, 1952  
 Division of Banks and Loan Agencies, Section B, Credit Unions, 1952  
 President, University of Massachusetts, 1952  
 State Racing Commission, 1952  
 Boston Police Commissioner, 1952  
 Division of Employment Security (Department of Labor and Industries), 1952  
 Department of Agriculture, 1952  
 Commissioner of Veterans' Services, 1952  
 Minimum Wage Commission (Department of Labor and Industries), 1952

Division of Banks and Loan Agencies, Section C, Savings Banks, 1952  
 Board of Free Public Library Commissioners, 1952  
 Purchasing Bureau (Commission on Administration and Finance), 1952  
 Trustees, Tewksbury State Hospital and Infirmary, 1952  
 Bureau of Loan Agencies, 1952

#### ARCHIVES DIVISION

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, there have been made 13 military certificates; 30 typewritten copies; 55,782 photostatic copies of legislative records, maps, plans, corporation records, and veterans' discharges.

Under General Laws, Chapter 127, Section 167, as amended, providing for the filing by attorneys of their appearance before the Parole Board in behalf of persons seeking a pardon or parole, fifty-seven attorneys have so filed.

Under General Laws, Chapter 127, Section 152, as amended, providing for the filing by the Commissioner of Correction of certified copies of petitions for pardons, paroles, and commutations of sentences, together with other documents pertaining thereto, one hundred and seventy-three cases have been received and filed.

Under General Laws, Chapter 264, Section 14, providing for the taking of an oath by every person entering the service of the Commonwealth and the filing of such oath in the office of the Secretary, approximately 23,000 oaths have been received and filed.

It is imperative that additional space be allocated to the Archives in order that the historical records of the Commonwealth be properly safeguarded and that the public be adequately served.

#### 1953 COMMISSIONS

The number of commissions issued during the year ending June 30, 1953 was 5,384, of which 516 were without fee and 121 became void by reason of the failure of the appointees to take out the commissions or to qualify thereunder.

The different classes were as follows:

Notaries Public . . . . .	4,660
Justices of the Peace . . . . .	161
Justices of the Peace designated to solemnize Marriages . . . . .	12
Justices of the Peace to issue warrants and take bail . . . . .	9
Associate Justices, Superior Court . . . . .	2
Judges of Probate and Insolvency . . . . .	2
Register of Probate and Insolvency . . . . .	1
District Attorney—Suffolk County . . . . .	1
Associate Justice, Municipal Court, City of Boston . . . . .	1
Justices and Special Justices, District Courts . . . . .	14
Clerks, District Courts . . . . .	4
Trial Justices . . . . .	2
Masters in Chancery . . . . .	22
Public Administrators . . . . .	17
Medical Examiners . . . . .	10
Associate Medical Examiners . . . . .	21
Trustees, Commissioners, etc. . . . .	327
Commissioners to Qualify Public Officers . . . . .	13
Special State Police Officers . . . . .	61
Public Warehousemen . . . . .	33
Chief Secretary, Executive Department . . . . .	1
Personal Secretary, Executive Department . . . . .	1
Administrative Secretary, Executive Department . . . . .	1
Legislative Secretary, Executive Department . . . . .	2
Press Secretary, Executive Department . . . . .	1
Assistant Secretaries, Executive Department . . . . .	5

Certificates to the number of 9,844 were issued, of which 2,489 were for certificates for which no fees are charged. Forty-one persons re-registered as required under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 30, Section 7B.

### CORPORATION DIVISION

The total number of certificates filed for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953 was 46,047.

Business organizations	3,387
Clubs, etc., organizations (Chapter 180)	359
Miscellaneous organizations	28
Business amendments, etc.	1,935
Miscellaneous amendments	121
Business conditions (Foreign and Massachusetts)	33,462
Club reports	2,975
Foreign amendments, etc.	112
Foreign power of attorney by person or partnership	6
Trust receipts	3,033
Liens	65
Trade marks	298
Assignments of trade marks	22
Limited partnerships	46
Approvals of Department of Public Utilities	47
Contracts of railroad and street railway companies	15
Certificates of clerks of various courts relative to dissolution of corporations (covering 1955 corporations)	15
Petition for surrender of charter and dissolution	2
Certificates of revival of corporations	66
Certificates of Acceptance of Acts	3
Certificates relative to Conversion of Co-operative Banks	2
Certificates of consent to change of location of social and athletic corporations	48
	<hr/> 46,047
Non-business charters withheld	14
Non-business applications for incorporation withdrawn	8
Non-business applications for change of name withdrawn	1
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Certified copies of Corporation Certificates	5,819
Special certificates supplied	599

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL AND AGENTS' EXPENSES

In compliance with General Laws (Tercentenary Edition), Chapter 3, Sections 39 to 50 inclusive, relative to the filing of legislative counsel and agents' expenses incurred or paid in connection with promoting or opposing legislation, there were during or following the 1953 session of the General Court 338 entries made in the dockets, an increase of 43 as compared with 1952. Returns for the 1953 session were not received until after the close of the session and the close of the Fiscal Year 1952-53.

Returns covering 329 entries were received from persons, associations or corporations employing legislative counsel or agents. Nine employers who failed to file returns within the time prescribed by law were reported to the Attorney General.

The total amount reported as paid to legislative counsel or agents was \$298,967.29. Of this amount \$69,875 represents annual salaries or retainers of regular employees apportioned and \$9,100 unapportioned, and \$219,992.29 payments in connection with legislation only. Nine employers stated that they paid nothing.



## PARDONS, COMMUTATIONS, RESPITES, REQUISITIONS, ETC.

The number of pardons made out and issued during the year was 76; of which 51 were full and complete; 1 discharge from the Danvers State Hospital; 16 under parole conditions; 7 commutations; 1 remander.

There were 54 requisitions issued upon other States; 6 upon the Secretary of the Navy of the United States; 1 upon the Chief Justice of the District Court of the United States of America; and 31 warrants issued upon requisitions from other States.

## PROCLAMATIONS

The proclamations of His Excellency the Governor were printed and distributed under the direction of this office. For the observance of each of the following 10,500 copies were distributed to churches, schools, institutions, patriotic societies, postmasters and city and town clerks:—Commodore John Barry Day, September 13, 1952; Pulaski Day, October 11, 1952; United Nations Day, October 24, 1952; American Education Week, November 9–15, 1952; Armistice Day, November 11, 1952; Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 1952; Civil Rights Week, December 8–15, 1952; New Orleans Day, January 8, 1953; Lincoln Day, February 12, 1953; Spanish War Memorial Day and Maine Memorial Day, February 15, 1953; One Hundred and Eighty-third Anniversary of the Boston Massacre, March 5, 1953; Evacuation Day, March 17, 1953; Patriots' Day, April 19, 1953; Loyalty Day, May 1, 1953; La Fayette Day, May 20, 1953; Memorial Day, May 30, 1953; Flag Day, June 14, 1953 and Bunker Hill Day, June 17, 1953. August 12, 1952 was designated as Indian Day and 6,500 copies of the Governor's proclamation were distributed to churches, institutions, patriotic societies, postmaster and city and town clerks. For the observance of Arbor and Bird Day, April 24, 1953, 10,500 copies of the Governor's proclamation were mailed to churches, schools, granges, agricultural societies, institutions, postmasters and city and town clerks.

Fire Prevention Week was designated to include the week of October 5–12, 1952 and 6,650 copies of the Governor's proclamation were distributed to the fire chiefs of the Commonwealth for churches, schools and post offices.

March 13, 1953 was set apart by His Excellency the Governor as Student Government Day, and 5,500 copies of the Governor's proclamation were printed and distributed to the schools.

A proclamation was issued to the press by His Excellency the Governor closing all sections of the forests and woodlands of Middlesex, Essex, Norfolk, Bristol, Plymouth, Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket Counties at 12:01 P.M. on July 31, 1952 to all persons except the owners and tenants of such forests and woodlands and their agents or employees or persons holding written permission from such owners or tenants to enter thereon for any purpose not prohibited by law, due to a serious fire hazard which existed by reason of extreme drought. A proclamation was also issued to the press by His Excellency the Governor reopening all sections of the forests and woodlands within Middlesex, Essex, Norfolk, Bristol, Plymouth, Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket Counties at 12:01 A.M. on August 8, 1952, since the serious forest fire hazard which existed in the forests and woodlands within said counties by reason of extreme drought had been removed by recent rains.

A proclamation was issued by His Excellency the Governor calling the members of the General Court to assemble in the State House on the ninth day of September, 1952, at two o'clock in the afternoon, in a special session, to the end that action may be taken on the repeal of Chapter 660 of the Acts of 1947, Chapter 589 of the Acts of 1948 and all other acts, general and special which have been enacted subsequent thereto, which are concerned with pensions and retirement allowances for members of the General Court and other elected state officials, and also the revision of General Laws, Chapter 3, Section 20, as most recently amended by Chapter 572 of the Acts of 1952, pertaining to travel and other expenses for certain officers and employees of the General Court, as the public was shocked and outraged by the manner in which, pursuant to the terms of the law, travel and other expenses were



established by the committees on rules of the two branches of the General Court acting concurrently during the session of 1952, and copies of the proclamation were mailed to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives.

A proclamation was issued by His Excellency the Governor to the press closing all sections of the forests and woodlands of the Commonwealth at 12:01 P.M. on October 28, 1952 to all persons except the owners and tenants of such forests and woodlands and their agents or employees or persons holding written permission from such owners or tenants to enter thereon for any purpose not prohibited by law, due to a serious fire hazard which existed by reason of extreme drought, and proclaiming a closed season on all fish, except as provided, birds and mammals and prohibiting hunting, trapping and fishing, and the possession of firearms on the property of another during the continuance of the proclamation except that fishing from boats shall not be prohibited in any inland water which can be reached without entering any woodland. A proclamation was issued to the press by His Excellency the Governor reopening all sections of forests and woodlands of the Commonwealth at 12:01 A.M. on November 11, 1952 and all effective seasons on hunting, trapping and fishing, and allowing the possession of firearms on the property of others, since sufficient rain had fallen to remove the fire hazard which existed in the forests and woodlands of the Commonwealth by reason of extreme drought.

A proclamation was issued by the Governor to the press on February 17, 1953 appointing William George Sutcliffe of Boston, Mass., to serve as moderator for the labor dispute existing between Locals 12017, 12173, 13225 and 13405 of the United Mine Workers of America, District 50 and their employers, the Arlington Gas Light Company, the Malden and Melrose Gas Light Company, the Malden Electric Company, the Suburban Gas and Electric Company, the Salem Gas Light Company, the Salem Electric Lighting Company, the Beverly Gas and Electric Company and the Norwood Gas Company.

On March 2, 1953 a proclamation was issued by the Governor to the press appointing Hubert C. Callaghan of Worcester, Mass., to serve as moderator for the labor dispute existing between Locals 12029 and 12269 of the United Mine Workers of America, District 50 and its employer, the Worcester Gas Light Company, as the labor dispute had not been settled by collective bargaining and it imminently threatened a substantial interruption in the production, manufacture and distribution of essential goods and services.

A proclamation was issued by the Governor to the press on April 13, 1953 appointing Mark E. Gallagher, Jr., of Medford, Mass., to serve as moderator for the labor dispute existing between Local 380, Milk Wagon Drivers, Creamery and Ice Cream Workers, American Federation of Labor, and their employers, the Whiting Milk Company, Seven Oaks Dairy Company, United Farmers of New England, Incorporated, White Brothers, J. F. Cashin and Company, Weiler-Sterling Farms Company, Deerfoot Farms, Herlihy Brothers, Incorporated, Putnam Brothers, M. S. Cosgrove and Sons, McAdams Dairy Products and Walker Gordon Laboratories of New England, Incorporated as a substantial interruption in the production and distribution of essential goods or services was imminent, and as an interruption in the production and distribution of said essential goods or services would curtail the availability of said essential goods or services to such an extent as to endanger the health and safety of the communities served by said companies.

Proclamations were issued by His Excellency the Governor to the press for the following purposes:—Blood Through Baseball Month, the period from June 30 through July 31, 1952; Jimmy Time, September 1–14, 1952; National Home Week, September 14–21, 1952; Citizenship Day, September 17, 1952; Roxbury Day, September 28, 1952; Newspaperboy Day, October 4, 1952; National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week, October 5–11, 1952; Massachusetts Oil Progress Week, October 12–18, 1952; Letter Writing Week, October 12–18, 1952; Poetry Day, October 15, 1952; Credit Union Day, October 16, 1952; American Art Week, November 1–7, 1952; Flower Week, November 2–9, 1952; Criminal Investigation Day, November 8, 1952; 177th Anniversary of the United States Marine Corps,

November 10, 1952; Mentally Retarded Children's Day, December 8, 1952; Israel Bond Big Day, December 14, 1952; Muscular Dystrophy Appeal Day, December 21, 1952; Crusade for Freedom Month, the period from December 29, 1952 to January 30, 1953; Big Brother Week, January 4-11, 1953; Printing and Publishing Week, January 12-17, 1953; JAYCEE Week, January 14-21, 1953; National Thrift Week, January 17-23, 1953; Ukrainian Independence Day, January 22, 1953; National V.F.W. Week, January 25-31, 1953; Heart Month, the month of February, 1953; Zionist Mobilization Month, the month of February, 1953; Children's Dental Health Day, February 2, 1953; 52nd Anniversary Day of the United States Army Nurse Corps, February 2, 1953; Four Chaplains Day, February 3, 1953; Boy Scout Week, February 7-13, 1953; Negro History Week, February 8-15, 1953; Brotherhood Week, February 15-22, 1953; Lithuania Independence Day, February 16, 1953; Time to Honor YMCA World Services, February 17-March 10, 1953; A Day of Prayer, February 20, 1953; Engineers' Week, February 22-28, 1953; Red Cross Month, the month of March, 1953; Save Your Vision Week, March 1-7, 1953; President's Day, March 4, 1953; Easter Seal Month, March 5-April 5, 1953; Ort Day, March 12, 1953; Massachusetts Wildlife Conservation Week, March 15-21, 1953; Greek Independence Day, March 25, 1953; Bataan Day, April 9, 1953; World Jewish Child's Day, April 12, 1953; Boys' Club Week, April 13-19, 1953; Pan American Day, April 14, 1953 and Pan American Week, April 12-18, 1953; American Jewish Congress Week, April 19-26, 1953 and American Jewish Congress Day, April 19, 1953; Massachusetts Social Hygiene Day, April 22, 1953; Cerebral Palsy Month, the month of May, 1953; Elks Youth Day, May 1, 1953; Child Health Day, May 1, 1953; Polish Constitution Day, May 3, 1953; National and Inter-American Music Week, May 3-10, 1953; Mental Health Week, May 3-9, 1953; Humane Sunday, May 3, 1953 and Be Kind to Animals Week, May 4-9, 1953; Golden Anniversary of Flight, the period from May 6-December 17, 1953; Armed Forces Week, May 8-16, 1953; Massachusetts State Mothers' Week, May 10-16, 1953; Achievement Week, May 10-16, 1953; National Hospital Day, May 12, 1953; I Am An American Day, May 17, 1953; Letters from America Week, May 18-24, 1953; National Maritime Day, May 22, 1953; National Golf Day, May 23, 1953; June Dairy Month, the month of June, 1953; Public Servants Week, first week of June, 1953; National and International Shut-In's Day, June 7, 1953; Fraternal Week, June 8-14, 1953; Soap Box Derby Day, June 13, 1953; Aid to Korea Month, June 15-July 15, 1953; World Veterans Day, June 21, 1953; Disaster Relief Days, June 26-July 4, 1953.

A proclamation was also issued by the Governor on June 10, 1953 proclaiming that a state of emergency existed in the Commonwealth by reason of the devastation resulting from the recent tornado in the Worcester-Shrewsbury-Holden region of Massachusetts, and calling upon all the people of the Commonwealth to assist and co-operate with the duly constituted authorities in all measures which may be taken to alleviate the tragic suffering of those affected by the disaster.

A proclamation was issued by the Governor to the press on June 25, 1953 appointing Isadore Levin to serve as moderator for the labor dispute existing between Local 396, Utility Workers Union of America, C.I.O. and its employer Montaup Electric Company, as an interruption in the production and distribution of essential goods or services was imminent, and as an interruption in the production and distribution of said essential goods or services would curtail the availability of said essential goods or services to such an extent as to endanger the health or safety of the communities of Fall River, Dighton, Somerset, Bridgewater, Swansea and Westport, Brockton, Easton, Abington, Rockland, Avon, East Bridgewater, West Bridgewater, Cohasset, Halifax, Hanover, Hanson, Norwell, Pembroke, Scituate, Stoughton and Whitman, and as the intervention of government would be in the public interest, and in accordance with the policy declared by the General Court in said chapter 150B.

#### PUBLIC DOCUMENT DIVISION

During the fiscal year 1953, the following publications were received for distribution through the Public Document Division: *Reports*: 15,897 copies of the Public Document Series, representing twenty reports of the several state depart-



ments, boards and commissions; 425 copies of the edition of the Executive Council Report on the return of Votes for State Officers, etc., 1952; *Laws*: 9,010 copies of the 1952 bound edition of the Acts and Resolves, commonly called the Blue Book; 10,044 copies of the 1952 pamphlet edition of the Acts and Resolves; 6,875 copies of the 1952 Supplement to the Laws Relating to Insurance and Insurance Companies; 7,200 copies of the 1952 Supplement to the Laws Relating to Retirement Systems and Pensions; 4,923 copies of the General Laws Relating to Corporations, 1951; 1,000 copies of the General Laws Relating to Taxation and Special Assessments, 1952; *Veterans Proceedings*: 634 copies of the Proceedings of the Fifty-second Annual Encampment, United Spanish War Veterans, Department of Massachusetts, 1951; 996 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirty-third Annual Convention, The American Legion, Department of Massachusetts, 1951; 100 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirty-fourth Annual Convention, The American Legion, Department of Massachusetts, 1952; 758 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirty-first Annual Encampment, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Massachusetts, 1951; 100 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirty-second Annual Encampment, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Massachusetts, 1952; 600 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirtieth Annual Convention, Disabled American Veterans of the World War, Department of Massachusetts, 1951; 622 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirty-first Annual Convention, Disabled American Veterans of the World War, Department of Massachusetts, 1952; 603 copies of the Proceedings of the Seventh Annual Convention, American Veterans of World War II, Department of Massachusetts, 1951; 452 copies of the Proceedings of the Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth Annual Conventions, Marine Corps League, Department of Massachusetts, 1948 to 1952; 604 copies of the Proceedings of the Twenty-second Annual Convention, The Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America, Department of Massachusetts, 1952; *Journals and Manuals*: 600 copies each of the Senate and House Journals, 1952, total, 1,200 copies (from the Sergeant-at-Arms); 300 copies of the Journals of the House of Representatives, Volume 27, 1750-51; 4,015 copies of the Civil Service Manual for the Instruction of Applicants for Entrance or Promotional Examinations in the Police Service in Cities and Towns, 1952-B edition; 4,967 copies of the Civil Service Manual for the Instruction of Applicants for Entrance or Promotional Examinations in the Police Service in Cities and Towns, 1953; 1,014 copies of the Civil Service Manual for the Instruction of Applicants for the Meter-Reading and Water Inspection Service in the Cities and Towns, 1953; 10,500 copies of the Manual for the General Court, 1953-54; *Massachusetts Reports*: 475 copies each of Volumes 327 and 328 of the Massachusetts Reports, total, 950 copies; *Miscellaneous*: 400 copies of Public Officers of Massachusetts, 1953-54; 542 copies of the Proceedings of the Electoral College of Massachusetts, 1952; 50,000 copies of the Arms and Great Seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; 2,086 copies of A Bibliography of The World Literature on Blood Pressure, 1920-1950, Volume I (Authors and Titles); 2,142 copies of A Bibliography of the World Literature on Blood Pressure, 1920-1950, Volume II (Author Index and Title Index); 2,156 copies of A Bibliography of The World Literature on Blood Pressure, 1920-1950, Volume III (Abstracts); making a grand total of 141,115 copies.

The sale of Massachusetts Reports surplus volumes on hand, as authorized by Chapter 57 of the Resolves of 1950, commenced on January 1, 1951. Of the approximate number of copies available for sale, namely 90,000, about 4,470 were sold during the fiscal year.

#### PUBLIC RECORDS DIVISION

The Supervisor of Public Records visited and inspected the public records in 18 cities and 76 towns within the Commonwealth, also many county offices for the purpose of checking the custody and care being given such records, as provided in General Laws (Ter. Ed.), Chapter 66, Section 1. Fire possibilities were discussed and many helpful suggestions were offered to the record custodians which would eliminate the apparent fire hazards.

Due to the lack of sufficient appropriation, travel had to be curtailed and it was impossible to make the many more intended visits to other cities and towns.

Custodians have been inconvenienced by this and requests for advice, information and inspections have been postponed.

### *Standard Record Ink*

This department furnishes approved standard record ink for use on public records in the several departments and offices of the Commonwealth and of the counties, cities and towns, in which such records are kept, in accordance with General Laws (Ter. Ed.), Chapter 66, Section 2. Ink supplied to the departments and offices of the Commonwealth is paid for by this department; ink supplied to the counties, cities and towns is paid for by the individual county, city or town.

Violations of Section 4 of Chapter 66, which forbids the use on public records of other than approved standard record ink have been observed. This division has notified all offenders as to the provisions of said Section 4.

### *Repairing and Binding*

Recommendations for repairing and binding, the necessity for which was observed during inspections, have been made to the proper persons. More volumes of the Massachusetts Archives have been rebound and others will be rebound subject to the amount appropriated.

### *Carbon Paper*

Revised copies of the list of the brand names of approved carbon papers, the use of which is authorized by Chapter 310 of the Acts of 1950, are available at this office.

### *Typewriter Ribbons*

Revised copies of the list of approved typewriter ribbons are available at this office wherein the approved typewriter ribbons are identified as having successfully passed the 48-hour Fade-Ometer test.

### *Stamp Pads and Stamp Pad Inks*

Revised copies of the list of approved brands of stamp pads and stamp pad inks are available at this office.

Purchasing agents and other interested persons of the various State departments, cities and towns have been supplied with copies of the above mentioned lists.

### *Safes and Vaults*

This division has available for distribution on request specifications for the construction of fire-proof safes and vaults based on recommendations proposed by the National Fire Protection Association. All improvements to present installations must be completed according to the standards required for new construction.

In several instances new vaults have been recommended to replace antiquated ones and many doors have been changed to the approved 6-hour type.

## REFERENDA

### INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS

There were no initiative or referendum petitions filed for the fiscal year 1952-3.

### VITAL STATISTICS DIVISION

Under the provisions of General Laws (Tercentenary Edition), Chapter 46, Section 17, returns of births, marriages and deaths from 351 cities and towns and births and deaths from the State Infirmary at Tewksbury for the year 1952 were received and total 95,801 births and 37,586 marriages, a decrease of 6,403 births and a decrease of 1,205 marriages, as compared with the returns of 1951.

Under the provisions of the same statute, 52,620 certified copies of records of deaths were received, a decrease of 952, compared with the records of 1951.



Medical Examiners' returns for 1952 cover 12,626, an increase of 605, as compared with returns for 1951.

Returns by Clerks of Courts and Registers of Probate of the decrees of divorce granted during 1952 number 5,890, a decrease of 398, as compared with the returns of 1951.

From July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953, 10,035 certificates of births, 2,195 certificates of marriages and 2,536 certificates of deaths were issued, a total of 14,766 certified copies. Besides these, 4,996 were certified abstracts given the Soldiers' Relief and United States Government war claims without fee.

In addition to the above, 3,672 records were verified for various government agencies.

The demand for records for war, social security, aid and relief, school and other purposes still continues.

There were 52,857 requests for records during this period.

A total of \$8,401.45 was received by this Division during this fiscal period. Of this amount, \$7,383.00 was for certified copies of births, marriages and death records; \$154.00 for certifications of exact copies of records and for exemplified statements; and \$864.45 was refunded to the remitters because excessive amounts were sent in or the requested service could not be rendered. 22,396 card abstracts of birth records for school, employment, enlistment, welfare and civil service purposes were issued without charge.

There were 7,756 references of records of marriages and deaths issued without fee for welfare, old age assistance, employment and insurance purposes.

There were 12,047 delayed records of birth and corrections of birth records, 260 corrections of marriages and 144 corrections of death records.

Returns of 4,136 names changed in 1952 as decreed by the courts were received and filed in compliance with the requirements of General Laws, Chapter 210, Section 12.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS OF STATE DEPARTMENTS

By General Laws (Tercentenary Edition), Chapter 30, Section 37, as amended by Chapter 556 of the Acts of 1951 and Chapter 30, Section 37A, inserted by Chapter 576 of the Acts of 1951, certain rules and regulations of departments, commissions, boards or officials vested by law with the power to make and issue rules and regulations general in scope, or to be observed or performed under penalty for the violation thereof, shall not take effect until attested copies thereof have been filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Under this law rules and regulations were filed by the following departments, boards and commissions during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953: Department of Banking and Insurance, Department of Civil Service and Registration, Department of Conservation, Department of Education, Division of Employment Security, Department of Labor and Industries, Department of Public Health, Department of Public Safety, Department of Public Utilities, Department of Public Works, Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, Metropolitan District Commission, State Boxing Commission, Sergeant-at-Arms, Milk Control Board and State Airport Management Board. The 1952 report listed all rules and regulations on file to June 30, 1952 and the same continue in full force and effect except for such changes as are indicated by the reports here listed as filed between July 1, 1952 and June 30, 1953.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The reports from this office which form a part of the Public Document series, namely, Returns of Births, Marriages, Divorces and Deaths (Public Document No. 1) and Election Statistics (Public Document No. 43) have been made, as required by law.

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THE FOLLOWING ARE THE  
RETURNS FROM CITIES AND TOWNS RELATIVE TO ACTION  
TAKEN UNDER CERTAIN PROVISIONS  
OF THE GENERAL LAWS

ALSO

RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION  
OF CERTAIN SPECIAL ACTS PASSED BY  
THE GENERAL COURT

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# RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF CERTAIN SPECIAL ACTS PASSED BY THE GENERAL COURT

WHEN RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	TITLE OF ACT	DATE OF ACTION	VOTE	
				Yea	No
1952 July 7	Town Clerk, Falmouth	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	June 30, 1952	-1	-
July 15	Assistant Clerk, Middlesex County Commissioners	An Act authorizing and directing the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to erect and equip a court house for the first district court of southern Middlesex at Framingham (1952, 491)	July 11, 1952	-2	-
July 16	Town Clerk, Nahant	An Act establishing a town manager form of government for the town of Nahant (1948, 513)	Apr. 30, 1951 July 15, 1952	416 -3	611 -
July 17	City Clerk, Boston	An Act authorizing the city of Boston to pension Vincent H. Flannery (1952, 512)	July 15, 1952	-4	-
July 17	City Clerk, Boston	An Act extending certain benefits under the State-Boston retirement system to the widows of certain former members of the Boston retirement system (1952, 629)	July 15, 1952	-5	-
July 21	Town Clerk, Brookline	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	Mar. 26, 1952	-4	-
Aug. 7	Assistant City Clerk, Lowell	An Act authorizing the city of Lowell to increase the retirement allowances of Patrick F. Flannery (1952, 242)	July 23, 1952	-5	-
Aug. 8	Town Clerk, North Reading	An Act authorizing the placing of the office of chief of police of the town of North Reading under the civil service laws (1952, 21)	Mar. 10, 1952	-4	-
Aug. 28	City Clerk, Boston	An Act authorizing the city of Boston to pension John F. Cullinan, a sergeant detective in the police department of said city (1952, 478)	Aug. 27, 1952	-5	-
Sept. 2	City Clerk, Chelsea	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	Mar. 25, 1952	-6	-
Sept. 9	Town Clerk, Framingham	An Act relative to the establishment in the town of Framingham of representative town government by limited town meetings (1952, 76)	Sept. 4, 1952	-1	-
Sept. 24	City Clerk, Holyoke	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Sept. 2, 1952	-1	-
Sept. 24	City Clerk, Lynn	An Act authorizing the city of Lynn to retire Alexandrine Morel (1952, 511)	Sept. 9, 1952	-5	-
Sept. 29	City Clerk, Lynn	An Act authorizing the use by the Lynn Gas and Electric Company of a certain part of the public common in the city of Lynn for the location of a natural gas pipe line (1952, 81)	Apr. 8, 1952	-5	-
Oct. 9	City Clerk, Lowell	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Oct. 7, 1952	-5	-
Oct. 9	City Clerk, Cambridge	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Oct. 6, 1952	-5	-
Oct. 10	Clerk, Plymouth County Commissioners	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Oct. 7, 1952	-7	-
Oct. 10	City Clerk, Everett	An Act relative to the retirement of certain police officers in the city of Everett (1952, 582)	Oct. 14, 1952	-6	-
Oct. 15	City Clerk, Medford	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1952, 536)	Oct. 7, 1952	-5	-



Oct. 15	City Clerk, Medford	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Oct.	7, 1952	-5	
Oct. 15	City Clerk, Medford	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	Oct.	7, 1952	-6	
Oct. 16	Deputy Assistant Clerk, Essex County Commissioners	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Oct.	14, 1952	-8	
Oct. 29	Clerk, Harvard Church, Brookline	An Act establishing Harvard Church and authorizing the transfer of certain property by Harvard Congregational Society of Brookline to said Harvard Church (1952, 233)	Oct.	28, 1952	-9	
Oct. 29	Clerk, Harvard Congregational Society, Brookline	An Act establishing Harvard Church and authorizing the transfer of certain property by Harvard Congregational Society of Brookline to said Harvard Church (1952, 233)	Oct.	28, 1952	-10	
Oct. 29	Town Clerk, Webster	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	Oct.	27, 1952	-4	
Oct. 29	Town Clerk, Webster	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Oct.	27, 1952	-4	
Oct. 30	Clerk, Franklin County Commissioners	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Oct.	21, 1952	-11	
Nov. 6	City Clerk, Beverly	An Act providing for the holding of biennial municipal elections in the city of Beverly in odd-numbered years and establishing the date of said elections (1951, 238)	Nov.	4, 1952	10,549	1,766
Nov. 6	City Clerk, Fitchburg	An Act providing for nominations by preliminary elections of candidates for elective municipal offices in the city of Fitchburg (1952, 232)	Nov.	4, 1952	12,603	3,472
Nov. 6	City Clerk, Newton	An Act repealing the provisions of law providing for preferential voting at municipal elections in the city of Newton and making the general municipal election laws applicable therein (1952, 208)	Nov.	4, 1952	23,344	8,508
Nov. 7	Secretary, Board of Election Commissioners, Springfield	An Act authorizing off-street parking facilities in the city of Springfield (1952, 436)	Nov.	4, 1952	39,664	31,454
Nov. 7	City Clerk, Taunton	An Act relative to the membership of the school committee of the city of Taunton (1952, 70)	Nov.	4, 1952	9,804	4,106
Nov. 7	City Clerk, Woburn	An Act reducing the membership of the Woburn school committee from nine to five members (1952, 589)	Nov.	4, 1952	4,630	5,474
Nov. 7	Town Clerk, Arlington	An Act establishing a town manager form of government for the town of Arlington (1952, 503)	Nov.	4, 1952	11,756	10,891
Nov. 7	Town Clerk, Douglas	An Act increasing the term of office of the tax collector for the town of Douglas from one year to three years (1952, 485)	Nov.	4, 1952	771	481
Nov. 7	Town Clerk, Maynard	An Act authorizing the town of Maynard to establish a board of public works exercising the powers of certain other departments and town officers (1952, 393)	Nov.	4, 1952	2,185	579
Nov. 7	Town Clerk, Natick	An Act authorizing the town of Natick to vote at the biennial state election in the current year on the question of the acceptance of an act to establish in said town representative town government by limited town meetings (1952, 7)	Nov.	4, 1952	5,056	4,481
Nov. 7	Town Clerk, Plymouth	An Act establishing in the town of Plymouth representative town government by limited town meetings (1952, 283)	Nov.	4, 1952	3,055	2,074
Nov. 7	Town Clerk, Plymouth	An Act authorizing the town of Plymouth to establish a commission of public works exercising the powers of certain other boards, commissions, committees, departments and offices (1952, 482)	Nov.	4, 1952	2,550	2,578

RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF CERTAIN SPECIAL ACTS PASSED BY THE GENERAL COURT—Continued

WHEN RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	TITLE OF ACT	DATE OF ACTION	VOTE	
				Yea	No
1952					
Nov. 10	Chairman, Election Commission, Cambridge . . . . .	An Act relative to the referendum in Plainfield on the question of providing for the nominations for certain officers therein by preliminary election, and their election by ordinary plurality voting (1952, 281)	Nov. 4, 1952	23,030	25,068
Nov. 10	City Clerk, Medford . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 281)	Nov. 4, 1952	16,709	11,727
Nov. 10	City Clerk, Quincy . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 281)	Nov. 4, 1952	26,658	10,316
Nov. 10	Secretary, Election Commissioners, Revere . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 281)	Nov. 4, 1952	10,353	4,947
Nov. 12	City Clerk, Springfield . . . . .	An Act providing that certain members of retirement systems established for incorporated housing authorities be allowed credit for service in unincorporated housing committees taken over by said authorities (1952, 382)	Nov. 10, 1952	—	—
Nov. 20	City Clerk, Pittsfield . . . . .	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	Nov. 18, 1952	—	—
Nov. 20	City Clerk, Pittsfield . . . . .	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Nov. 19, 1952	—	—
Nov. 20	Assistant Clerk, Bristol County Commissioners . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Nov. 18, 1952	—	—
Nov. 20	Town Clerk, Shrewsbury . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Nov. 17, 1952	—	—
Nov. 21	City Clerk, Chelsea . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Oct. 20, 1952	—	—
Nov. 21	City Clerk, Boston . . . . .	An Act authorizing the city of Boston to compensate Laurence H. Banks for certain expenses incurred by him in establishing his right to be declared a duly elected member of the city council of said city (1952, 500)	Nov. 17, 1952	—	—
Dec. 2	City Clerk, Revere . . . . .	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Nov. 24, 1952	—	—
Dec. 19	Town Clerk, Berlin . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Dec. 15, 1952	—	—
Dec. 19	Assistant Clerk, Middlesex County Commissioners . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Dec. 16, 1952	—	—
1953					
Jan. 6	Secretary, Norfolk County Commissioners . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Dec. 31, 1952	—	—
Jan. 6	City Clerk, Boston . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Jan. 2, 1953	—	—
Jan. 9	City Clerk, Everett . . . . .	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Dec. 31, 1952	—	—
Jan. 9	City Clerk, Everett . . . . .	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	Dec. 31, 1952	—	—
Jan. 29	City Clerk, Springfield . . . . .	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Dec. 29, 1952	—	—

Feb. 5	City Clerk, Somerville	An Act providing for the construction and operation by the metropolitan district commission of refuse disposal incinerators in certain cases (1952, 559)	Jan. 8, 1953	-14	
Feb. 5	Town Clerk, West Springfield	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Oct. 20, 1952	-1	
Feb. 5	City Clerk, New Bedford	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Jan. 26, 1953	-3	
Feb. 17	Town Clerk, Bourne	An Act relative to expenditures by the town of Bourne for municipal advertising purposes (1952, 124)	Feb. 9, 1953	-1	
Feb. 17	Town Clerk, Bourne	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Feb. 9, 1953	-1	
Feb. 26	City Clerk, Lawrence	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Feb. 24, 1953	-5	
Mar. 4	Clerk, Plymouth County Commissioners	An Act providing for the construction of a sea wall in the town of Duxbury (1952, 531, as amended by 1953, 20)	Mar. 3, 1953	-7	
Mar. 5	Town Clerk, Mansfield	An Act authorizing the town of Mansfield to provide a scholarship fund for graduates of the high school of said town (1952, 50)	Feb. 25, 1952	-4	
Mar. 5	Town Clerk, Mansfield	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	Mar. 2, 1953	-4	
Mar. 10	Town Clerk, Watertown	An Act relative to the tenure of office of the present collector of taxes of the town of Watertown (1952, 64)	Mar. 2, 1953	4,836	4,217
Mar. 10	Town Clerk, Watertown	An Act relative to the tenure of office of the present auditor of the town of Watertown (1952, 67)	Mar. 2, 1953	4,857	4,125
Mar. 10	Town Clerk, Watertown	An Act relative to the tenure of office of the present treasurer of the town of Watertown (1952, 68)	Mar. 2, 1953	4,923	4,086
Mar. 12	Town Clerk, Barnstable	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 3, 1953	-4	
Mar. 12	Town Clerk, Amesbury	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Mar. 3, 1953	-4	
Mar. 12	Clerk, Franklin County Commissioners	An Act providing for the installation of additional water supply facilities and the purchase of additional X-ray equipment at the Hampshire County Sanatorium (1953, 62)	Mar. 10, 1953	-11	
Mar. 13	Town Clerk, Athol	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	Mar. 2, 1953	-4	
Mar. 16	Town Clerk, Marblehead	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 2, 1953	-4	
Mar. 16	Town Clerk, Rockland	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Mar. 10, 1953	-4	
Mar. 16	Town Clerk, Rockland	An Act to authorize the placing of the positions of the regular or permanent members of the fire department of the town of Rockland under the civil service laws (1953, 27)	Mar. 5, 1953	-4	
Mar. 16	Town Clerk, Hamilton	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 7, 1953	1,074	645
Mar. 17	Town Clerk, Westwood	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Mar. 2, 1953	-4	
Mar. 18	Clerk, Hampshire County Commissioners	An Act providing for the installation of additional water supply facilities and the purchase of additional X-ray equipment at the Hampshire County Sanatorium (1953, 62)	Mar. 10, 1953	-1	
Mar. 18	City Clerk, Boston	An Act providing for the construction and operation by the metropolitan district commission of refuse disposal incinerators in certain cases (1952, 559)	Mar. 13, 1953	-15	
Mar. 19	Clerk, Berkshire County Commissioners	An Act providing for the installation of additional water supply facilities and the purchase of additional X-ray equipment at the Hampshire County Sanatorium (1953, 62)	Mar. 16, 1953	-3	
			Mar. 17, 1953	-15	



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WHEN RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	TITLE OF ACT	DATE OF ACTION	VOTE	
				Yes	No
1953					
Mar. 24	City Clerk, Northampton	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 19, 1953	-6	-
Mar. 24	Town Clerk, Milton	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Mar. 14, 1953	-4	-
Mar. 27	City Clerk, Woburn	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Mar. 20, 1953	-3	-
Mar. 30	Town Clerk, Brookline	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Mar. 25, 1953	-4	-
Mar. 30	Town Clerk, Brookline	An Act establishing the office of comptroller in the town of Brookline (1953, 67)	Mar. 25, 1953	-4	-
Mar. 30	City Clerk, Chelsea	An Act authorizing the city of Chelsea to expend a certain unexpended balance of funds for back salaries of Chelsea school employees (1953, 43)	Mar. 25, 1953	-6	-
Mar. 30	Clerk, Trustees of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital	An Act authorizing the trustees of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital to provide living quarters for the senior physician at said hospital (1953, 131)	Mar. 26, 1953	-17	-
Mar. 30	Attleboro	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 26, 1953	-17	-
Mar. 31	Town Clerk, East Pepperell	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Feb. 16, 1953	-4	-
Mar. 31	Town Clerk, Marblehead	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 10, 1953	-4	-
Apr. 1	Clerk, Greenville Baptist Society in Leicester	An Act to incorporate Greenville Cemetery Corporation and authorizing the transfer of certain funds and parcels of land to said corporation (1951, 225)	Mar. 25, 1953	-18	-
Apr. 1	Clerk, Greenville Baptist Church, Rochdale	An Act to incorporate Greenville Cemetery Corporation and authorizing the transfer of certain funds and parcels of land to said corporation (1951, 225)	Mar. 25, 1953	-19	-
Apr. 1	Town Clerk, Provincetown	An Act to establish the selectmen-town manager form of government in the town of Provincetown (1953, 78)	Mar. 25, 1953	-19	-
Apr. 6	Town Clerk, Arlington	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees (1951, 781)	Mar. 30, 1953	541	469
Apr. 6	Town Clerk, Arlington	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 18, 1953	-4	-
Apr. 6	Town Clerk, Arlington	An Act authorizing the town of Arlington to sell, convey or otherwise dispose of a certain parcel of land in said town (1953, 11)	Mar. 18, 1953	-4	-
Apr. 6	City Clerk, Lowell	An Act extending the period of existence of the development and industrial commission for the city of Lowell (1953, 183)	Mar. 20, 1953	-4	-
Apr. 8	Town Clerk, Manchester	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 24, 1953	-5	-
Apr. 8	Town Clerk, Hull	An Act making the provisions of the civil service laws applicable to the town of Hull with respect to certain town employees (1953, 111)	Mar. 10, 1953	-1	-
Apr. 13	Assistant Clerk, Middlesex County Commissioners	An Act authorizing the county of Middlesex to pay a sum of money to Ralph A. Nellson (1953, 125)	Mar. 4, 1953	-1	-
			Apr. 10, 1953	-2	-



Apr. 16	Deputy Assistant Clerk, Essex County Commissioners	An Act authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to expend money for advertising the Recreational, industrial and agricultural advantages of the county (1953, 126)	Apr. 14, 1953	-8
Apr. 16	Town Clerk, Norwood	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 26, 1953	-4
Apr. 16	Town Clerk, Winchester	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Mar. 12, 1953	-4
Apr. 23	Town Clerk, Weymouth	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Mar. 6, 1953	-4
Apr. 24	Town Clerk, Easthampton	Same act as above (1952, 624)	Mar. 21, 1953	-4
May 1	City Clerk, Lynn	An Act authorizing the city of Lynn to sell a certain parcel of land in said city, acquired for park purposes (1953, 66)	Apr. 14, 1953	-5
May 5	Town Clerk, Braintree	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 16, 1953	-1
May 7	City Clerk, Holyoke	An Act to authorize the use by the municipal gas and electric commission of the city of Holyoke for electric substitution purposes of certain lands acquired by said city for park and recreation purposes (1953, 9)	May 5, 1953	-6
May 15	City Clerk, Worcester	An Act repealing the law providing for a commissioner of public health and an advisory health board in the city of Worcester, and providing for a health commissioner and a health board to be appointed by the city manager of said city (1953, 181)	May 12, 1953	-5
May 15	City Clerk, Worcester	An Act providing for the consolidation of the Worcester City Hospital and the Belmont Hospital in the city of Worcester (1953, 266)	May 12, 1953	-5
May 19	City Clerk, Westfield	An Act authorizing the city of Westfield to appropriate money for the payment of, and to pay, certain unpaid bills (1953, 237)	May 7, 1953	-5
May 20	Clerk, Board of Selectmen, Marblehead	An Act placing the office of special investigator in the police department of the town of Marblehead under the civil service laws (1953, 305)	May 13, 1953	-20
May 22	Town Clerk, Natick	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	Mar. 17, 1953	-1
May 22	City Clerk, Revere	An Act relative to the tenure of office of the city planner in the city of Revere (1953, 345)	May 18, 1953	-5
May 26	City Clerk, Lawrence	An Act authorizing the city of Lawrence to establish a board of trustees of the Lawrence Municipal Hospital and Infirmary, defining their powers and duties, and further defining the powers and duties of the department of public health and charities (1953, 335)	May 25, 1953	-5
May 28	City Clerk, Cambridge	An Act authorizing the city of Cambridge to use certain park land for school purposes (1953, 7)	May 25, 1953	-5
June 1	Town Clerk, Swampscott	An Act establishing a town manager form of government for the town of Swampscott (1951, 88)	Mar. 16, 1953	1,222
June 1	Sheriff of Bristol County, New Bedford	An Act providing for certain improvements at the Bristol County jail and house of correction in New Bedford (1953, 419)	May 29, 1953	-21
June 5	City Clerk, Chelsea	An Act authorizing a city or town to grant annuities and to increase certain retirement allowances, pensions and annuities of certain officials and employees or to their surviving spouses or children (1953, 387)	June 3, 1953	-14
June 8	Assistant City Clerk, Quincy	An Act authorizing the city of Quincy to increase the retirement allowances of Josephine T. Angelo (1953, 390)	June 1, 1953	-5
June 8	Town Clerk, Marblehead	An Act authorizing the town of Marblehead to pay an annuity to Edith S. Chapman (1953, 155)	June 4, 1953	-4

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WHEN RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	TITLE OF ACT	DATE OF ACTION	VOTE	
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June 8	Town Clerk, Mansfield	An Act changing the type of planning board in the town of Mansfield (1953, 16)	June 4, 1953	4	—
June 19	City Clerk, Cambridge	An Act to authorize the conveyance of certain lands in Cambridge by the metropolitan district commission to the city of Cambridge (1953, 447)	June 15, 1953	5	—
June 22	City Clerk, Marlborough	An Act providing for an increase in the annual amounts of certain pensions, retirement allowances, annuities and other benefits payable by the commonwealth and its political subdivisions to certain former employees and persons claiming under them (1950, 820)	June 17, 1953	3	—
June 25	Town Clerk, Provincetown	An Act authorizing the town of Provincetown to appropriate money for municipal advertising purposes (1953, 206)	June 22, 1953	52	3
June 25	City Clerk, Worcester	An Act relative to increasing the amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees (1952, 624)	June 23, 1953	5	—

<sup>1</sup>Adopted by unanimous vote.

<sup>2</sup>Accepted by the county commissioners of Middlesex County.

<sup>3</sup>Accepted by the mayor and city council.

<sup>4</sup>Accepted, affirmative and negative votes not returned.

<sup>5</sup>Accepted by the city council.

<sup>6</sup>Accepted by the board of aldermen.

<sup>7</sup>Accepted by the county commissioners of Plymouth County.

<sup>8</sup>Accepted by the county commissioners of Essex County.

<sup>9</sup>Accepted by the members of Harvard Church, Brookline.

<sup>10</sup>Accepted by the Harvard Congregational Society of Brookline.

<sup>11</sup>Accepted by the county commissioners of Franklin County.

<sup>12</sup>Accepted by the county commissioners of Bristol County.

<sup>13</sup>Accepted by the county commissioners of Norfolk County.

<sup>14</sup>Accepted by the mayor and board of aldermen.

<sup>15</sup>Accepted by the county commissioners of Hampshire County.

<sup>16</sup>Accepted by the county commissioners of Berkshire County.

<sup>17</sup>Accepted by the trustees of the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital.

<sup>18</sup>Accepted by the Greenville Baptist Society in Leicester.

<sup>19</sup>Accepted by the Greenville Baptist Church.

<sup>20</sup>Accepted by the board of selectmen.

<sup>21</sup>Accepted by the sheriff of Bristol County.





# RETURNS FROM CITIES AND TOWNS RELATIVE TO ACTION TAKEN UNDER CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL LAWS

WHEN RECEIVED	CITY OR TOWN	SUBJECT AND REFERENCE	ACTION	DATE OF ACTION
1952				
July 3	Weymouth	Workmen's compensation for laborers, workmen and mechanics, G. L. 152, s. 99, as amended	Accepted	June 23, 1952
July 8	Everett	Uniforms for police and firemen, G. L. 40, s. 6B	Accepted	June 9, 1952
July 11	North Reading	Temporary repairs on private ways by cities and towns, 1951, 299 (G. L. 40, s. 6E)	Accepted	Mar. 10, 1952
July 11	North Reading	Registration and operation of certain bicycles, 1941, 710, s. 1 (G. L. 85, s. 11A)	Accepted	Mar. 10, 1952
July 11	North Reading	Creation of a stabilization fund, 1945, 124 (G. L. 40, s. 5B)	Accepted	Mar. 10, 1952
Aug. 21	Deerfield	Selection of the commissioners of trust funds in certain towns of less than five thousand inhabitants, 1952, 79 (G. L. 41, s. 45A)	Accepted	Aug. 18, 1952
Aug. 21	Deerfield	Sale of certain articles on the Lord's day, G. L. 136, s. 7	Accepted	Aug. 18, 1952
Sept. 5	Chicopee	Discontinuance of the appointment of deputy election officers, 1932, 76, s. 2 (G. L. 54, s. 11A)	Accepted	Sept. 4, 1952
Sept. 5	Chicopee	Appointment of election officers by the city clerk to fill vacancies, 1943, 411, s. 6 (G. L. 54, s. 16A)	Accepted	Sept. 4, 1952
Sept. 9	Holyoke	Display of national flag at polling place during the hours when voting is taking place, G. L. 54, s. 25A	Accepted	Sept. 4, 1952
Oct. 30	Cambridge	Vacations for certain employees of certain cities and towns, 1952, 488 (G. L. 41, s. 111G)	Accepted	Oct. 6, 1952
Nov. 6	Brookton	Salary of city councillors established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Rejected	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 6	Chelsea	Salaries of mayor and members of board of aldermen established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Rejected	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 6	Lynn	Salary of mayor established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Rejected	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 6	Lynn	Salary of city councillors established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Rejected	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 6	New Bedford	Salary of city councillors established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Rejected	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 6	Peabody	Salary of mayor established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 6	Peabody	Salary of city councillors established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 6	Salem	Salary of city councillors established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 6	Salem	Salary of mayor established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 7	Somerville	Salaries of members of the board of aldermen established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Rejected	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 7	Waltham	Salary of mayor established, 1952, 259, s. 1 (G. L. 39, s. 6A)	Rejected	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 10	Amesbury	Forty-eight hour week for permanent members of the fire department, 1945, 413, s. 1 (G. L. 48, s. 58B)	Rejected	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 10	Brookline	Forty-eight hour week for permanent members of the fire department, 1945, 413, s. 1 (G. L. 48, s. 58B)	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 10	Methuen	Forty-eight hour week for permanent members of the fire department, 1945, 413, s. 1 (G. L. 48, s. 58B)	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 10	Acton	Vacations for certain municipal employees, G. L. 41, s. 111, as amended	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 10	Grafton	Vacations for certain municipal employees, G. L. 41, s. 111, as amended	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 10	Pembroke	Vacations for certain municipal employees, G. L. 41, s. 111, as amended	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 10	Gay Head	Contributory retirement system for cities and towns, G. L. 32, ss. 1-28, as amended	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Nov. 10	Leyden	Contributory retirement system for cities and towns, G. L. 32, ss. 1-28, as amended	Accepted	Nov. 4, 1952
Dec. 16	Revere	Advances of vacation pay to officers and employees of cities and towns, 1945, 635, s. 3 (G. L. 44, s. 65)	Rejected	Nov. 4, 1952
Dec. 16	Revere	No loss of pay or vacation to certain state and municipal employees in militia, organized reserve of the Army of the United States or of the United States naval Reserve Forces, 1939, 425, s. 1 (G. L. 33, s. 54)	Rejected	Dec. 8, 1952
Dec. 26	New Bedford	Establishment of planning board, 1947, 340, s. 4 (G. L. 41, s. 81A)	Accepted	Dec. 15, 1952
Dec. 31	New Bedford	Five day week for police in certain cities and towns, 1951, 346, s. 1 (G. L. 147, s. 16C)	Accepted	Dec. 11, 1952
			Accepted	Dec. 26, 1952



